FISCAL NOTE

SB 229 - HB 345

February 10, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission to hold a public hearing, for the purpose of hearing the concerns of citizens relative to the issues to be heard at the next scheduled commission meeting, on the Saturday preceding scheduled commission meetings.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$19,800 / Wildlife Resources Fund

Assumptions:

- TWRA currently meets approximately 10 times per year.
- The cost to the commission for members and staff to attend ten extra meetings is estimated to total \$19,773.
- These public hearings will not count against the statutory limit of six regular and six special meetings of the commission per year in current law.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director